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Corner Guard for Pre-Hung Door Assembly

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## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

This communication is in response to a first office action with mail date of Feb. 24, 2005, in which the Examiner has objected to claims 1-42 under Section 112, has rejected claims 1, 3-9, 12-15, 17-24 and 27 under Section 102(b) as anticipated by German DE3701293 A1, has rejected claims 28-30, 32-39 and 42 under Section 103(a) as obvious over German DE3701293 A1 in view of admitted prior art, and has rejected claims 2, 10, 11, 16, 24-26, 31, 40 and 41 under Section 103(a) as obvious over German DE3701293 A1 in view of admitted prior art and further in view of Marsh et al.

Please amend the application as follows:

The undersigned certifies that this correspondence is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on the date below.

3/24/05 Date

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